

6 Am 2633
SMW 1-9-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Satoshi Mikami

Serial No.: 09/730,786



Group Art Unit: 2633

Filed: December 7, 2000

Examiner:

Chan, Alex. H.

For: OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INCLUDING A TRANSMISSION LINE
COMPENSATING DEVICE THAT PRODUCES RAMAN AMPLIFICATION
BASED UPON A CONTROL SIGNAL

RECEIVED

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

JAN 02 2004

Technology Center 2600

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-26 are all the claims presently pending in the application. The title, abstract and claims 1, 7, 9, 12, 14, 19-20 and 25 are amended to more clearly define the invention.

Claims 1, 7, 14, and 20 are independent.